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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 5, 1997

Mr. BURTON of Indiana introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on National Security, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. CONVERSION OF PROPERTY AND FACILITIES**
2 **AT CLOSED OR REALIGNED MILITARY IN-**
3 **STALLATIONS INTO YOUTHFUL OFFENDER**
4 **BOOT CAMPS.**

5 (a) BASES CLOSED OR REALIGNED UNDER 1990
6 BASE CLOSURE LAW.—Section 2905 of the Defense Base
7 Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (part A of title
8 XXIX of Public Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 2687 note) is
9 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
10 section:

11 “(h) PRIORITY FOR CONVERSION TO YOUTHFUL OF-
12 FENDER BOOT CAMPS.—(1) Notwithstanding subsection
13 (b), before any action is taken with respect to the disposal
14 or transfer of any real property or facility located at a
15 military installation to be closed or realigned under this
16 part, the Secretary of Defense shall notify the State and
17 each local government in which the installation is located
18 and other interested persons of the suitability of the prop-
19 erty or facility for conversion and use as a youthful of-
20 fender boot camp.

21 “(2) Subject to paragraphs (3), (4), and (5), the Sec-
22 retary shall transfer (without reimbursement) the property
23 or facilities described in the notification to the State, local
24 government, or interested person if the State, local govern-
25 ment, or person certifies that the property or facilities will

1 be promptly converted to and used as a youthful offender
2 boot camp.

3 “(3) Any certification submitted under paragraph (2)
4 must be received by the Secretary not later than 180 days
5 after the Secretary provides the notification required by
6 paragraph (1) and must include a conversion and operat-
7 ing plan for the youthful offender boot camp. If the Sec-
8 retary receives more than one certification for a particular
9 property or facility, the Secretary shall submit the compet-
10 ing conversion and operating plans to the Attorney Gen-
11 eral who shall be responsible for selecting the recipient of
12 the property or facility based upon the quality and feasibil-
13 ity of the competing plans.

14 “(4) In the case of a certification submitted by a pri-
15 vate person, the Secretary shall submit the conversion and
16 operating plan accompanying the certification to the At-
17 torney General for review. The Secretary shall reject the
18 certification and refuse to transfer the property or facility
19 concerned if—

20 “(A) the Attorney General determines on the
21 basis of the conversion and operating plan that the
22 person will likely be unable to successfully convert or
23 operate the proposed youthful offender boot camp;
24 or

1 “(B) the State or any local government in
2 which the installation is located opposes the transfer.

3 “(5) Paragraph (2) shall not apply to require the
4 transfer of any real property or facility located at a mili-
5 tary installation to be closed or realigned under this part
6 if the head of a military department or other entity of
7 the Department of Defense notifies the Secretary that
8 there is further and compelling national security need for
9 the property or facility.

10 “(6) As used in this subsection, the term ‘youthful
11 offender boot camp’ means a correctional facility operated
12 as a military-style boot camp to provide discipline, treat-
13 ment, and work for adjudicated offenders who are between
14 the ages of 14 and 25, inclusive.”.

15 (b) BASES CLOSED OR REALIGNED UNDER 1988
16 BASE CLOSURE LAW.— Section 204 of the Defense Au-
17 thorization Amendments and Base Closure and Realign-
18 ment Act (Public Law 100–526; 10 U.S.C. 2687 note) is
19 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
20 section:

21 “(g) PRIORITY FOR CONVERSION TO YOUTHFUL OF-
22 FENDER BOOT CAMPS.—(1) Notwithstanding subsection
23 (b), before any action is taken with respect to the disposal
24 or transfer of any real property or facility located at a
25 military installation to be closed or realigned under this

1 title, the Secretary of Defense shall notify the State and
2 each local government in which the installation is located
3 and other interested persons of the suitability of the prop-
4 erty or facility for conversion and use as a youthful of-
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1 operating plan accompanying the certification to the At-
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15 if the head of a military department or other entity of
16 the Department of Defense notifies the Secretary that
17 there is further and compelling national security need for
18 the property or facility.

19 “(6) As used in this subsection, the term ‘youthful
20 offender boot camp’ means a correctional facility operated
21 as a military-style boot camp to provide discipline, treat-
22 ment, and work for adjudicated offenders who are between
23 the ages of 14 and 25, inclusive.”.

24 (c) MODEL YOUTHFUL OFFENDER BOOT CAMP.—

1 (1) DEVELOPMENT.—The Secretary of Defense,
2 in consultation with the Federal Bureau of Prisons
3 and State and local correctional agencies, shall de-
4 velop a model program intended to incorporate mili-
5 tary basic training and other military instruction
6 and disciplinary procedures into the design and op-
7 eration of youthful offender boot camps at the Fed-
8 eral, State, and local levels.

9 (2) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this sub-
10 section, the term “youthful offender boot camp”
11 means a correctional facility operated as a military-
12 style boot camp to provide discipline, treatment, and
13 work for adjudicated non-violent offenders who are
14 between the ages of 14 and 25, inclusive.

15 **SEC. 2. GRANTS FOR BOOT CAMPS.**

16 Subsection (a) of section 516 of the Omnibus Crime
17 Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3762b)
18 is amended—

19 (1) by striking “80” and inserting “40”; and
20 (2) by striking “10” the second place it appears
21 and inserting “50”.

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